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Title: Method and System for  
Processing Instant  
Messenger Operations  
Dependent Upon Presence  
State Information in an  
Instant Messaging System

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection dated August 29, 2007.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for filing this Notice of Appeal pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) (large entity) of \$510.00 to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5681-69900/RCK.

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